

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated 07/31/2003 the Examiner allowed or indicated as allowable Claims 5-11 and 21 subject to resolving §112 objections on Claims 9, 10 and 21. The remaining claims were rejected and some were also objected to under §112. Rejected Claims 1-4 and 12-20 are cancelled. New Claims 22-33 are added.

Antecedent basis is found at pages 4-6 and Figure 1. No new matter is added.

Claims 1-4 were rejected based on Patent 5,289,669 to Gerber, one figure of which is shown here for convenience. Gerber lacks the arrangement defined in new Claims 22-33. Gerber is also not directed toward winders for prestressing the storage tanks as defined in the claims.

Claims 12-20 were previously rejected over the patent to Zibilich (5,274,603). That patent is directed toward seismic restraints and is not relevant to new Claims 22-33.

The pending claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance, and such allowance is respectfully requested.

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